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Minutes of August 5, 2009

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Education was held on Wednesday, August 5, 2009, in room 210, Farnum Building, 125 W. Allegan Street, Lansing, MI 48933.

- Senator Kuipers called the meeting to order at 2:34 P.M. The roll of the Committee was called by the Committee Clerk:

Senator Kuipers – Present
Senator VanWoerkom – Present
Senator Cassis – Present
Senator Whitmer – Present
Senator Gleason – Excused

Agenda

- Approve minutes from June 25, 2009.

Motion by Senator VanWoerkom to approve the minutes from June 25, 2009 was supported by Senator Cassis.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator VanWoerkom – Yes
Senator Cassis – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Yes
Senator Gleason – Excused

- **SB 698:**
 - Anne Blankenhorn**, Senate Majority Policy Office
 - Brief description of SB 698
 - Lisa Hansknecht**, Legislative Director, Michigan Department of Education
 - Did not wish to speak, but is in favor of SB 698

Jim Ballard, Executive Director, Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals

- Spoke in favor of SB 698

Chris Fisher, President, Associated Builders and Contractors of Michigan

- Spoke in favor of SB 698

Gary Naeyaert, Vice President of Legislative Affairs, MI Assoc. of Public School Academies

- Did not wish to speak, but is in favor of SB 698

Don Wotruba, Deputy Director, Michigan Association of School Boards

- Did not wish to speak, but is in favor of SB 698

Dave Stafford, Lobbyist, Michigan Education Association

- Did not wish to speak, but is in favor of SB 698

Louise Somalski, Legislative Coordinator, AFT Michigan Lansing

- Did not wish to speak, but is in favor of SB 698

- Motion by Senator Van Woerkom to report Senate Bill 698 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect, supported by Senator Cassis.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes

Senator Van Woerkom – Yes

Senator Cassis – Yes

Senator Whitmer – Yes

Senator Gleason – Excused

- **SB 636-639:**

Sabin Duncan, Detroit Parent Network

- Spoke in favor of SB 636-639

Ida Byrd-Hill, President, Uplift, Inc.

- Spoke in favor of SB 636-639

- Senator Kuipers adjourned the meeting at 3:28 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,


Paula Englin, Clerk


Wayne Kuipers, Chair

8-27-09
Date Approved